

The Markets**EXECUTIVE PUTS DEFENSE PLANS BEFORE PUBLIC**

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New York Stock Exchange. New York, Jan. 28.—Efforts to continue yesterday's late rally were made at the outset of today's trading, numerous stocks rising from material fractions to over 1 point, but the improvement was not well maintained, prices receding very generally on secondary offerings. War shares were strongest, that group averaging gains of 1½ points, with similar advances in oils. United States Steel rose to \$4 an overnight gain of 5¢, but this was soon cancelled. Railroads made only slight gains at the opening and these also were forfeited in large part, owing to the heaviness in Union Pacific and the

Closes:

- American Sugar Refining, 113½.
- American Tel. and Tel., 137½.
- Anaconda Copper, 88½.
- Atchison, 105½.
- Chino Copper, 53½.
- Inspiration Copper, 44½.
- Northern Pacific, 113½.
- Reading, 77½.
- Union Pacific, 124½.
- United States Steel, 83½.
- United States Steel, pfd., 118.

Chicago Board of Trade.

Chicago, Jan. 28.—Active buying on the part of commission houses and pit traders sent the wheat market upward today despite some weakness at the start.

Opening prices, which varied from 5¢ decline to a shade advance, with May at \$1.36½ to 1.37 and July at \$1.26½ to 1.27½, were followed by a substantial gain all around.

The close was heavy, 5¢ to 14¢ net lower, with May at \$1.35½ to 1.35½ and July at \$1.26½.

Corn showed notable strength and touched a new high price record for the 1915 crop. After opening 5¢ to 8¢ higher the market scored a material further advance.

The close was easy at 5¢ to 10¢ net advance.

Oats reflected the firmness of other grain.

Higher prices on hogs tended to harden the provision market.

Finally all the gains were more than wiped out. The late weakness in the wheat market had a depressing effect.

Closes:

- Wheat—May, \$1.35½; July, \$1.35½.
- Corn—May, 80½; July, 81½.
- Oats—May, 53½; July, 54½.
- Pork—Jan., \$20.40; May, \$20.60.
- Lard—May, \$10.55; July, \$10.65.
- Ribes—May, \$11.10.

Kansas City Grain.

Kansas City, Jan. 28.—Cash wheat—No. 2 hard, \$1.25½ to 1.26; No. 2 red, \$1.26½ to 1.27½; May, \$1.26½; July, \$1.27½.

Corn—No. 2 mixed, 72½; No. 2 white, 72½ to 73½; No. 2 yellow, 73½ to 74½; May, 76½; July, 76½.

Oats—No. 2 white, 53½ to 54½; No. 2 mixed, 48½ to 49.

Kansas City Produce.

Kansas City, Jan. 28.—Butter-Creamery, 3½c; firsts, 29c; seconds, 27c; packers, 16c.

Eggs—Firsts, 28c; seconds, 26c.

Poultry—Hens, 13c; turkeys, 18c; spring, 13c.

Chicago Livestock.

Chicago, Jan. 28.—Hogs—Receipts 28,000 head; market active, 20¢ above yesterday's average; bulk of hogs, \$7.60 to 7.90; light, \$7.30 to 7.70; heavy, \$7.50 to 8.00; pigs, \$4.50 to 6.50.

Cattle—Receipts 2,000 head; market steady; native beef steers, \$6.30 to 9.50; western steers, \$6.50 to 8.10; cows, \$3.10 to \$3.15; calves, \$7.50 to 10.75.

Sheep—Receipts 6,000 head; market steady; wethers, \$7.35 to \$8.00; lambs, \$5.30 to 10.75.

Kansas City Livestock.

Kansas City, Jan. 28.—Hogs—Receipts 300 head; market higher; bulk of sales, \$7.50 to 7.85; heavy, \$7.80 to 7.90; light, \$7.40 to 7.70; pigs, \$6.50 to 7.50.

Cattle—Receipts 100 head; market steady; prime fed steers, \$8.40 to 9.50; dressed beef steers, \$6.75 to 8.25; western steers, \$6.25 to 8.40; calves, \$6.50 to 10.50.

Sheep—Receipts 6,000 head; market strong; lambs, \$10.00 to 10.60; ewes, \$8.25 to 9.25; wethers, \$7.25 to 8.00.

Denver Livestock.

Denver, Jan. 28.—Cattle—Receipts 500 head; market firm; beef steers, \$6.00 to 7.00; cows and heifers, \$5.50 to 6.50; stockers and feeders, \$6.00 to 7.25; calves, \$8.00 to 10.00.

Hogs—Receipts 600 head; market higher; top, \$7.60; bulk, \$7.25 to 7.50.

Sheep—Receipts, none; market steady.

New York Money.

New York, Jan. 28.—Mercantile paper, 3½ to 4½ per cent.

Bar silver, 57½c.

Mexican dollars, 4½c.

Government bonds, steady.

Railroad bonds, steady.

Time loans, easy; 69 and 90 days, 2½ to 3½ per cent.

Call money, easier; high, 1½ per cent; low, 1½ per cent; rating rule, 1½ per cent; last loan, 1½ per cent; closing bid, 1½ per cent; offered at 1¾ per cent.

New York Metals.

New York, Jan. 28.—Copper, firm; electrolytic, \$25.50 for second quarter delivery.

Iron, steady and unchanged.

Metal exchange quoted tin quiet; spot, \$41.62 bid.

At London: Spot copper, £90 to 100;

electrolytic, £122;

spot tin, £178 5s; futures, £179.

Antimony, 12½.

New York Lead and Spelter.

New York, Jan. 28.—The metal exchange quotes lead, \$6.05; spelter, not quoted.

At London: Lead, £12 2s 6d; spelter, £11.

Off Again On Again
STRICKLAND & GILLIAN

The Reasons
One time I met a chap who said I'd fail.
Since then I've camped along ambition's trail
With clutching fists and grating teeth, to show
That chump there were some things he did not know.

A lot of times, too, I met kindly folk
Who said—and made me think they did not joke—
That I was destined for a better place
Than then I held in life's uncertain race.

For their dear sakes who thus believed in me
I am compelled by gratitude to be All that I might have been upon this earth
Had fortune smiled her sweetest at my birth.

Now those two reasons, and some more that I
Can't now recall, explain succinctly why
I do the best I can to make success Of my small part in this great mundane mess.

Finnigan Philosophy
Minny a man without a thought in his head has the knock ya sayin' Nawthin' so impressively an' obscurely that it sounds like good shufflin'.

Is He A Nut?
There is a man at Alpha, Iowa, named Almond Davis.

Adjectives
Did you ever stop and consult the dictionary while reading advertising matter written by experts? Sometimes we nearly glugle our fool head off over some of the adjectives employed.

The other day we were asked point blank, in type big enough for a farm sale bill, if we had ever seen such "startling values" as were shown in somebody's kind of underwear!

"Startling"—get it? Good old "sterling" is worn threadbare and nobody would notice it, so it had to be "startling."

To begin with, can you imagine such a fellow, unless drunk or delirious, wearing "startled" by any underwear?

You wouldn't care two whoops about it if it was the underwear of some one else, would you?

You wouldn't even so much as know about it, if you are the modest and polite person we hope you are.

We can imagine one's being "startled" by underwear, but not in this way.

The sudden display of anyone's intimate garments in public is not the least "startling" thing we know of.

When we find we have been waiting for four or five blocks on a well-lighted street, with a young girl behind us that we had a never-say-never masculine hope of impressing favorably—even when we have found that one of our (speaking plainly) garters was dragging the movement, we have been "startled" in case a would-be-or else have been, if we had said loudly what our impulse dictated.

We have even been worse than "startled" when we involuntarily turned toward the observing young lady and noted that she looked elsewhere but said nothing.

But was the young lady "startled" by the quality of our garter?

No. When she first saw it trickling along like a purple elastic hose, she may have been "startled."

But not at the value of the thing.

The young man who attempted to pull a thread from the young lady's shoulder and ultimately, as discovered by her mother, entirely removed the young lady's union suit by ravelling—that young man may have been "startled" and suspicious at the length of the thread he pulled out.

But "startled" at the value of some one's underwear?

Good value is never "startling" to us except when we get it in dealing with a man we had thought was crooked.

Some advertisers should change their stock of adjectives.

The Young Lady Across The Way

The young lady across the way says she doesn't see much sense in denying yourself and trying to save money for your old age when all you would have to do when that time comes would be to purchase an annuity and live quite comfortably in it.

HIS PHILOSOPHY.

She—I wish I could be as contented as you!

He—Oh! I ain't contented—only I don't think it's worth while to worry about it!

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Passenger—Er—how far are we from land, Cap?

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